

Whitestown Town Council Meeting May 14, 2013

Dawn S calls the May 14, 2013 Town Council Meeting to order at 6:33 pm. Roll Call: Dawn Semmler, Susan Austin, Julie Whitman, Kevin Russell, Eric Miller; present. Pledge

Dawn S asks if there are any Changes to Agenda necessary. **Jason Lawson** asked that New Business Item #6 be pulled from the agenda. Amanda A asked to add an IDOT update under announcements. **Susan A** m/m to accept the changes as presented, **Julie W** 2nd, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Purchase Capital Equipment: Water valve exerciser and hydrant flow monitor by GIS-Water Utility.
- 2) Signing of Town and Utility Claims for May, 2013.
- 3) Approval of Town Council Minutes for April 9 and 30, 2013.
- 4) Purchasing of various police equipment.
- 5) Property Tax Abatement Compliance for Whitestown Temco (Global Products), WF Industrial, Verus Partners (5490 Industrial Court) and Duke/Hulfish Allpoints at Anson compliance regarding property tax abatement as set forth in the attached CF-1's.

Julie W m/m to approve 1) Purchase Capital Equipment: Water valve exerciser and hydrant flow monitor by GIS-Water Utility. 2)Signing of Town and Utility Claims for May, 2013. 3)Approval of Town Council Minutes for April 9 and 30, 2013. 4)Purchasing of various police equipment. 5)Property Tax Abatement Compliance for Whitestown Temco (Global Products), WF Industrial, Verus Partners (5490 Industrial Court) and Duke/Hulfish Allpoints at Anson compliance regarding property tax abatement as set forth in the attached CF-1's; as presented, Susan A 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- #1 Consideration of a first reading of an Ordinance Establishing Water Rates and Charges for the Town of Whitestown Utility and setting a public hearing regarding the same; Dawn S did first reading of Ordinance 2013-7 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING THE RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE USE OF AND SERVICES RENDERED BY THE WATERWORKS SYSTEM OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA. Public Hearing is set for June 11, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. Discussion ensues.
- #2 Perry Worth Road Realignment at Whitestown Parkway Project; Dan Cutshaw from GRW spoke and gave details of the project. Maps were presented to council for review. Eighty percent (80%) of costs will be covered by MPO. Town needs to have engineering plans completed. Estimated engineering costs \$583,000.00. Total cost of project is 7 million. Our costs will be 20% plus engineering costs. This will be over a three year period. Discussion ensues. Dawn S m/m to authorize GRW to begin engineering not to exceed \$583,000 from the MVH fund over the next four years, Eric M 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried. Julie W m/m to authorize D Semmler to execute the contract with GRW, Susan A 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.
- #3 Consideration of Banking Services from Huntington Bank, Related to Town Utility Customer Billing and Past Due Accounts; Clerk Treasurer Amanda Andrews presented proposal from Huntington Bank to provide banking services for the town and utility. They would print the bills and provide lockbox services. Discussion ensues. Plan and Ordinance will be presented at the June meeting.
- **#4 US Bureau of the Census Agreement Regarding Special Town Census;** Tom Combiths spoke regarding the request that the town made to the Census Bureau regarding a special census. Steve Unger spoke regarding the town's responsibility and cost for the special census. Discussion ensues. Kevin Russell to oversee this project.
- #5 Representation by Bose McKinney in the upcoming Citizens Water Rate Case before the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC); Susan A discussed Citizens Water going before the IURC. We need representation so that our needs are heard by the commission. Discussion ensues. Susan A m/m that Bose Mckinney be hired to represent our interests before the IURC, Julie W 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried. Discussion ensues. Chris Janak will be representing our interests.



#7 Professional Services for Town Housing Rehabilitation and related services; Tom Combiths presented for council review. Discussion ensues. More research to be done and revisited at future meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

#1 Town Comprehensive Transportation Plan Public Review; Dan Cutshaw spoke regarding plan. Discussion ensues. Public Hearing will be on Monday, July 8, 2013. Public comment link will be added to the website.

#2 SRF Waterworks Improvement Plan: Elevated Water Storage Tank, Indianapolis Road Water Main and Water Pump Station Site – Bid results forthcoming prior to Council Meeting; Dan Cutshaw gave a review of bids received. We are \$746,000 below the SRF grant/loan. Discussion ensues. Six bids received for Contract B. Recommend awarding bid to Davidson Excavating in the amount \$895,353.00. Four bids received for Contract C. Low bid received from Phoenix Fabricators, however they do not meet the experience requirements. Recommend that their bid be rejected. Chicago Bridge and Iron is the lowest and most responsive bidder in the amount of \$3,456,000.00. Recommend awarding bid to CBI. Discussion ensues. With council approval these will be presented to SRF. Dawn S m/m to award Contract B to Davidson Excavating and Contract C to Chicago Bridge and Iron, Eric M 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried. Eric M m/m to authorize Dawn Semmler to sign all applicable paperwork, Julie W 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

#3 Consideration of Town Fiscal Policies; Tom Combiths submitted a draft for council review. Julie W has asked for guidance from SBOA or IACT. Discussion ensues. Susan A asked that it be tabled until further information and sample policies are provided.

UPDATES:

Clerk Treasurer: Intern to begin on June 3, 2013.

IDOT: They are looking at the SR267 bridge due to Amazon traffic. They are being very aggressive to temporarily help traffic congestion during Amazon high traffic times. Whitestown Parkway signs have been ordered for being placed over the ramps. Timing of lights at I-65 and SR 334 are being evaluated. They are requesting traffic counts. Discussion ensues.

Dawn S asked that an Agreement be added to the agenda, **Julie W** 2nd, vote 5-0, **motion carried**. Tom Combiths and Dawn S spoke regarding the Severance Agreement between the Town and Tom. The Council thanked Tom for his service. Tom stated that he has enjoyed his three years with the town. Tom's last day will be June 3, 2013. Discussion ensues. **Julie W** m/m to approve the Severance Agreement between the Town and Tom Combiths and authorize Dawn Semmler to sign the agreement, **Eric M** 2nd, vote 5-0, **motion carried**. Dawn S made the announcement of Brenda Piscitelli's resignation. Discussion ensues. Tom is to hire a temporary service to cover front desk.

Parks Department: Nathan spoke; 5-year master plan is in and approved. Two new grants have been applied for. Recruiting sponsors for the Grand Prix currently.

Utility: Jason Lawson gave a brief update.

Police Department: Chief Dennis Anderson announced that the departments year-end report is on the Police Department website. National Night Out is scheduled for August 6th at Lowes. Discussion ensues.

Public Comments:

Matt Cornacchione -9330 Windift Way, Zionsville, IN 46077 - Phoenix Fabricators, spoke stating that he respectfully disagrees with GRW's recommendation to reject their bid. He is requesting the Councils review. Discussion ensues.



Susan A m/m to close Whitestown Town Council meeting at 8:30 p.m.; Julie W 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

The minutes from a Regular Town Council meeting on May 14, 2013 are approved on the 11th day of June 2013 by the following Town Council Members

Dawn Semmler, President

Eric Miller

Kevin Russell

Susan/Austin

Julie Whitman

ATTEST:

Amanda Andrews, Clerk Treasurer